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Lighthouse Stamp Asked For 1950

According to the Ocean County Review of Seaside Heights, N. J., the 1950 Centennial of Ocean County, N. J. will be featured with the issuance of a commemorative stamp picturing the Barnegat Lighthouse.

A bill to this effect was introduced to Congress during the latter part of March by Rep. James C. Auchincloss of the Third District of New Jersey. The bill is known as H.R. 3706.

Honorary Chairman Thomas A. Mathis, of the Centennial Commission suggested the special stamp.

Congressman Auchincloss has declared in his bill, "That, in honor of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Ocean county, New Jersey, the postmaster general is hereby authorized and directed to issue a postage stamp depicting Barnegat Light station in said Ocean county. Such stamp shall be issued in such denomination and for such period beginning February 15, 1950 as the postmaster general may determine. Such stamp shall be placed on sale at Barnegat Light, New Jersey, one day before it is made available to the public elsewhere in these United States."

Commemorative issues usually exceed 4,000,000 sales to collectors throughout the nation. The Ocean county Centennial stamp would be the first lighthouse stamp in the history of the country.

The date of Feb. 15 contained in the bill for issuance of the Barnegat Light stamp marks the day in 1850 when the New Jersey legislature set Ocean county aside from Monmouth. The first meeting of the Ocean county Board of Freeholders took place May 8, 1850 in Toms River.

Helicopter Mail Flight Cachet May 1

The Calumet Philatelic Society of Hammond, Ind. is going to sponsor a cachet for the first helicopter airmail flight from Hammond to Chicago.

Approximate date of the flight is May 1.

The club will supply the envelopes, the addressing of them the cachet and the airmail stamp for the sum of 10c per cover. All collectors need do to obtain the covers is to send the names and the addresses to whom the covers are to go plus ten cents per cover.

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ONE FOR THE MAP STAMP ENTHUSIASTS. What could well be the most attractive stamp design for 1949 was announced by the Postmaster General for the Annapolis Tercentenary 3c commemorative. No color was announced, nor as is usual was there an announcement of the quantity of the initial printing. The stamp will have its first day of issue at Annapolis, Md. on May 23. Details for obtaining first day covers are obtainable elsewhere in this issue.

California Man Admits To False Robbery Report; Loot Found With Personal Property

Further investigation into the alleged robbery of Sherman W. Cox at the Brentwood Stamp Store in Santa Monica, California by authorities has revealed the fact that the robbery which he reported of stamps with a value of near \$85,000 was a fabrication.

Actual owner of the store is John W. Thorne. Cox at no time held a financial interest in the establishment.

In the original story about the alleged robbery given by Cox on March 14, he said he was forced at gun point into a back room by a gunman, who then proceeded to tie him securely. Cox further stated that the robber then leisurely went through the safe and selected the best items in the Brentwood stock.

According to the Los Angeles Examiner news story of April 9 added links in the chain of circumstances are as follows.

"Police on April 8 arrested a 26-year-old stamp dealer for investigation of the theft of \$20,000 worth of his own stamps and \$65,000 worth of another dealer's.

"He is Sherman Whitcomb Cox of 1129 17th street, who shares a stamp shop with John W. Thorne at 2528 San Vicente boulevard. They are not partners.

"The shop was ransacked of its foreign and domestic stamps March 14. Cox told police that the burglar had bound him, but he had managed to break loose.

"Police said they became suspicious of Cox, who reported the burglary, when they learned that he had insured his collection recently.

"On April 7, Mrs. Ellen Thorne, the dealer's ex-wife, who works in the shop, found in a trunk owned by Cox in the store an album of French colonial stamps similar to those reported missing.

"Police arrested Cox in his apartment, where they said they discovered stolen stamps under rugs and in an ice tray of the refrigerator."

Fort Stamp Goal Of New Englanders

Intense concerted action on the part of interested persons in the New Hampshire-Vermont area of the New England states is being used to promote a stamp for Old Fort Number Four.

Rep. Norris Cotton (R-N. H.) has drafted a bill for that purpose which he will present to congress. Congressman Cotton's measure reads:

"In commemoration of the establishment of 'Old Fort Number Four,' on the present site of Charlestown, New Hampshire, one of the key defense points of the Massachusetts Bay Colony during the French and Indian wars, and in commemoration of the construction of a replica... The Postmaster General is authorized and directed to issue a postage stamp of the denomination of three cents."

"Such stamp shall bear a reproduction of the sketch of Old Fort Number Four by Howard Sartwell Andros and shall be placed on sale in Charlestown, New Hampshire, one day before it is made available to the public elsewhere."

ASDA Detroit Area Meet On April 29

All stamp dealers in the Detroit area, which includes Michigan and Ohio, are invited to the next meeting of the Detroit area chapter No. 3 of the American Stamp Dealers Association.

Scene of the meet will be the Lafayette Room of the Hotel Fort Shelby and the time 7 p.m. on Friday April 29.

Scheduled as an open meeting, it will begin with a dinner at the 7 p.m. starting time. It is expected that Peter G. Keller, executive officer of the ASDA will address the assembled guests.

Reservations for the dinner and the cost of \$3.50 per plate can be sent to the secretary-treasurer of the chapter, J. F. Schulman, 2042 National Bank building, Detroit 26 Mich.

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Attractive Design Features Ancient Map Of The Region; Color, Quantity Not Announced

All details of the Annapolis Tercentenary commemorative stamp were announced by the Post Office Department except the color and the initial printing order. An ancient map of the Chesapeake Bay region in which Annapolis is situated is used as the design for the stamp. It is probably one of the most unusual designs produced by the Department for some time and will undoubtedly, if the proper coloring is used, be one of the most popular stamps in 1949.

The official Post Office Department announcement of the stamp is as follows.

"Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson announced the description of the new 3c Annapolis Tercentenary Commemorative Postage Stamp which will be placed on sale for the first time on May 23 at Annapolis, Maryland.

LATE BULLETIN

The Post Office Department made the announcement that the initial printing of the Annapolis stamp will amount to 100 million stamps.

It was also announced that the color of the Alexandria 6c commemorative airmail stamp would be red.

"The central design depicts an ancient map of Annapolis and the entrance to the Severn River at the time of the first settlement. Upon this map is superimposed a ship of the period entering the River from the Chesapeake Bay, a boat load of Puritans going ashore at the site of the settlement, the Seal of Lord Baltimore to represent the colony of Maryland, a compass rose and various symbols found on old maps.

"Just below the Seal appears the lettering "Annapolis, Md." in dark Gothic. The lettering "U. S. Postage" in dark modified Roman appears in the top portion. In the same style in the lower part of the stamp appears "Annapolis Tercentenary 1649-1949." In the lower right corner is the denomination "3c". The lettering identifying the river, bay, and settlement, is in dark Italic.

"The stamp is 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimensions, arranged horizontally, with a single line frame. It is printed by rotary process, electric-eye perforated, and issued in sheets of 50 subjects. The color of the stamp will be announced at a later date.

"The ship shown on the map is a spritsail rigged ship similar to those used by the English and Dutch merchants in coastal sailing during the 17th Century. Several symbols are on this map, as on all old ones: the trees and hills are similar to those found on John Smith's map of 1606; the cherubic northeast wind blowing the ship along to its anchorage; the rock or striped bass, *Roccus lineatus*, prevalent even at this date in the Bay; the blue or hard crab, *Callinectes sapidus*, as a symbol of Crabbtown-on-the-Bay, as Annapolis is known by all midshipmen, and the compass rose without which the old maps were incomplete. The Seal of Maryland was taken directly from the Great

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Seal of Maryland, which was originally designed by Lord Baltimore in 1632.

"Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send as many as 10 self-addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at Annapolis, Maryland, together with postal note or money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed."

The city of Annapolis is well known nationally for several reasons. It is the capital of the state of Maryland, and the home of the United States Naval Academy.

It is also the county seat of Anne Arundel County with a location on the Severn River about two miles from Chesapeake Bay.

As early as 1608, Captain John Smith visited the site of Annapolis. No settlement was made at that time, but in 1649 a company of Puritans from Virginia established a town there which they named Providence. In succeeding order, Providence was renamed as follows, "Proctor's," "The Town," "Anne Arundel Towne" and finally the Town of Annapolis in honor of Queen Anne.

Annapolis was made the capital of the province in 1694 when the government was moved from St. Mary's. In 1708, Annapolis was made a city by virtue of a charter which Queen Anne granted to the city named for her.

Early in the 1700's, one of the first free schools on the North American continent was established in the city. The school later developed into what is now known as St. John's College. It having a founding date of 1789.

Sentiments of the citizenry in favor of a break with England were expressed in a Resolution of Sympathy for Boston (May 25, 1774) whose port had been closed. Further, on October 18 of this same year, the brig "Peggy Stewart" laden with tea from England was publicly burned to the water's edge.

On December 23, 1783, Washington surrendered his commission as commander-in-chief of the Continental Army to Congress which was then sitting at Annapolis.

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ALGERIA: The "Day of the Postage Stamp" commemorative of France has been issued in red violet for Algeria with green overprint.



ANGOLA: Three new pictorials just received show views of the Colony; denominations are: 2.50 Ags. blue, 3.50 Ags. slate, and 50 Ags. green.



BRAZIL: A 60c. purple imperforate marks the 400th anniversary of the City of Salvador; the stamp bears the profile of Nobrega. There is also a 1.20 Blue Airmail (perforated).

CANADA: The 4 cent green commemorative to mark Newfoundland's entrance into the Dominion of Canada has been received; the stamp pictures Cabot's ship with all sails unfurled.

CANAL ZONE: The "Gold Rush" centennial series has been definitely announced for issue on June 1, 1949. The stamps will not be airmail. Denominations and colors will be as follows: 3 cent blue, 6 cent violet, 12 cent green and 18 cent maroon. The size of the stamps is to be 19 by 22 mm. The stamps will portray the arrival, transit and departure of the '49ers at Panama.



COLUMBIA: A 4c green commemorative printed by Waterlow and Sons bears a portrait of Julio Garavito Armero.

CUBA: A 2c red and a 5c blue, mark the 100th anniversary of Sanguily.



CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Three new stamps just received are a 50h. maroon, a 80h. orange and a 1kcs. green; the stamps show portraits.

ERITREA: An added value has been issued to the BMA set; 2½d. deep blue has been added

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEP. A 2 and one half d. deep blue has been added to the map set issued in 1946 (Scott's type A1).

FRANCE: A 15fr. plus 5fr. commem has been issued in connection with "the day of the stamp." The color is green and features a portrait of Choiseul, the French post office superintendent from 1760 thru 1770. In the lower portion of the stamp is a vignette showing a post rider.

FRANCE: Other French issues to appear in 1949 will include a five value series showing Ampere, Argo, Baudet, Ferrie and the new Alexandre III bridge. Single commems are also to be issued in honor of Racine, French and English Friendship Antarctic exploration and the 6th anniversary of Dauphine.

GREAT BRITAIN: The Crown Agents announce that a four set will be issued for all Crown Colonies to mark the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union. The scheduled date is Oct. 10 for all colonies.

INDONESIA: Five postage values and three airmails have just been received; The stamps show, maps and ships and are in attractive pastel shades in large size.

IRAQ: The recently issued airmail set has been issued in a miniature sheet.



MOZAMBIQUE: Six new pictorials just received show views of the colonies as follows: 1\$75 blue, 2\$50 slate, 3\$00 green, 10\$00 brown, 15\$00 red and 20\$00 orange.

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On several occasions we have had submitted to our office a cover purported to have been carried on one of the Jet Plane flights of the past several months.

Our mail now contains another cover, rather a Canada Letter Sheet which it is claimed was carried on one of these Jet planes. The sender claims it is the first letter sheet of Canada so carried.

We have no objection to mentioning the fact that this cover bears a typewritten statement as follows, some parts of it being filled in with pen.

"Flown on a R. C. A. F. Jet Interceptor Plane From Trenton Air field to Montreal. Date of flight Feb. 19, 1949. Carried courtesy of F/O F. W. Evans, Pilot R. C. A. F. Sqn No. Jet Plane Type Vampire III."

The cover is postmarked at Montreal on Feb. 21, 12:30 p.m. It has a small label reading "JET AIR MAIL."

Now we have no reason to question the fact that this plain uncanceled letter sheet may have been carried on the plane as claimed. However there is nothing about the letter sheet to authenticate this for anyone in Montreal could have produced hundreds like this at a cost of the letter sheet alone.

The letter sheet could have been canceled at the Trenton Air Field a few minutes before the flight, carried to Montreal and rushed to the Post Office and backstamped there so as to indicate faster transportation than by any other available means, which would have helped authenticate the cover.

The cover might also have been signed by the pilot of the Jet Plane which would have been some indication that it was carried on such plane, but with no practical evidence that the sheet was carried, we see nothing in a cover of this nature that would lead us to value it at anything over a few cents, for it certainly bears no indication that leads to the belief that it is a rare or desirable item.

Mind you, we are not questioning the statements of the owner that the cover was so flown, but we do point out that similar covers could be produced by the hundred at a cost of the letter sheet alone and that there is nothing about the cover to back up any claims for its legitimacy.

We feel it our obligation to collectors of material of this nature to point out such feats for what they are worth.

Collectors should also take note of the fact that altho this is claimed to be a jet plane flight, the fastest flying there is, the flight started on the 19th February, but the cover is not canceled at Montreal until 12:30 noon on the second day following. Sure must have been a slow Jet plane.

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April 26—Max Bloch, 805 Fifth Ave., New York 17. Airmails of the World, General Foreign.

April 28, 29—O'Hanlon Galleries, 116 Nassau St., New York 7, N. Y. U. S. Confederate, Proofs, General and Wholesale.

April 30—Murray Simcock & Co., 116 Nassau St., New York 7, U. S. singles, blocks, pl. bks. and Whse.

May 2—White Plains Co., 225 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, N. Y. U. S. Covers, Confederate and General.

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NYASSALAND PROT. The one pence stamp showing a native soldier (Scott's No. 69) was withdrawn after being in use for only a short time, due to the resentment that this stamp created.

It was replaced by a one pence Leopard type in 1947. The original stamp No. 69 is scarce and increasing in value, especially in used condition.

AUSTRALIA The new 5 shilling stamp (release date April 11th 1949) is a departure from the traditional styles of this country. The central feature of the design is the Australian Coat-of-Arms. The shield contains the badge of each of the six states, New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania. It is understood that other new high values of 10 shillings, one pound and two pounds will be in similar style to this new 5 shilling stamp.

NEWFOUNDLAND has now ceased to be a stamp issuing country and as a province of Canada will now use Canadian stamps only. Dealers report a heavy demand for all Newfoundland stamps, especially the recent current items. It is probable the stamps of Newfoundland will retain their popularity and not be forgotten as were so many other countries who ceased the issuance of stamps.

JAMAICA The Constitution set of seven values to 10 shilling issued in 1945, was released with different perforations, 12½, 12½ x 13½ and 13. Specialists report that the 1½ and 2 pence values have been found perforated 12½ x 13. Some perforation varieties are scarce, especially the 2 pence perforated 12½. All values exist perforated 12½.

ERITREA A new British stamp has appeared for use in Eritrea. It is overprinted B.M.I. ERITREA and surcharged 65c on the 8 pence value. This suggests the possibility of the re-introduction of this value in East Africa.

IRELAND Some time ago there appeared a redrawn version of the St. Patrick design used for the high values of Ireland. In this redrawn type, the colored lines at the side and behind the saint's head are much broader, and the white lines between them much finer.

Binghamton Society
Announces One Day Show

A big day is in store for the collectors of Binghamton, N. Y. May 7, when the Binghamton Philatelic Society holds its annual exhibition and bourse at the YMCA from 12 noon until 11 p.m.

Besides the first, second and third awards, the exhibitors will also compete for an SPA Research award, and an APS medal for the outstanding collection.

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Educating The Beginner

As we have pointed out in previous editorials, there are many very fine books available for the specialist or advanced collector. None of these books ever has a very big sale. Reason for this is that there are so few of the type of collector to whom some particular book will appeal that any chance for big sales is lacking. Few of these books are ever profitable to the producers, many are labors of love or are published due to the ambition of the author to have the work in print. It is fortunate for those who appreciate such books that their cost is kept as low as it is, else few would care to buy and pay the price that would have to be paid to make them profitable business for the producer.

If the time and work that went into books of this type were figured at a nominal price per hour all would be prohibitive to produce. So much for this type of collector, but what is needed most is more books that will appeal to or rather teach and help the newcomers to our hobby. Those interested in the hobby from a business standpoint and that means the stamp dealers who have been in the business for years or who expect to make stamp dealing their business might well ponder this thought. It should also be to the advantage of our leading stamp societies to think along this line, for it is from the up and the coming new collectors that both the stamp trade and the stamp societies will gain their support in the years to come. We should not be satisfied to work with the material we have at hand today, but should plan to educate and teach the newcomers in order that we might make confirmed collectors from them and thus have them grow up to become the backbone of the hobby in the years ahead.

We need more books and pamphlets designed solely to give the new collector the first fundamentals and rules of the hobby. We know this because of the number of inquiries we get about certain things, because of the many specimens of stamps etc. which are sent to our offices in the belief that they are a new find or a rare item, when they are items that are well known as well as items that have no value over and above the common variety so well known to everyone.

Examples of these points are inquiries as to the value of a stamp which the writer laboriously describes as having the third and fourth also the seventh and ninth hole where the perforation should be, not punched out.

The beginner wonders about the value of such items. Also a recent letter contained a block with a plate number where the writer called particular attention to the fact that all the numbers appeared in outline or double line numbers instead of solid numbers. This we explained was due solely to lack of ink on a plate. It would take time to diagram this and explain it clearly in a letter, but the cause and reason is very simple and should be readily explainable if one could do it by demonstration.

Another collector submitted some plate number blocks where he had torn off the selvage edge from the blocks and left only the plate number attached to the side or end of the stamps. These are not acceptable to plate number collectors so this beginner has ruined several nice blocks. Likewise collectors of plate numbers should never clip the ends off of their plate number blocks as the real collector wants the entire piece with full margin.

All these and hundreds of other little points need explanation. We need a book that will tell all about such things, even the most common things, and diagram and explain them. Such matter is frequently printed in stamp papers, but if printed this month is not seen by the new collector who comes into the fold next month and just then subscribes for the paper. A book going into all this matter, which could be retailed at a very low price would become one of the best sellers and would stand reprinting year after year, something no other book on stamps has ever done, except the annual catalogues.

British Silver Wedding Issues

Many weeks ago we predicted that the British Silver Wedding stamps would be among the best buys of 1948. Evidence is piling up that this is fast becoming a fact. The issue was slow in appearing. As it came along it became more and more apparent that the issue was not a padded one, that some were selling out quick and as for prices, that was another thing that has kept the issue upset. Dealers are prone to want to buy as cheap as they can, some even like to chisel a bit if opportunity presents itself, so with all these things taken into consideration the boys were placing their orders here and there and many prices quoted were based on expected delivery from black market money sources and things just got snarled up and a lot of them could not deliver. Prices jumped and jumped. The collector naturally wanted to buy as cheap as he could so instead of paying the price his old reliable and tried and true dealer was asking him to pay some of the short prices quoted by those dealers who were trying to beat the regular market and as a result, he did not get his stamps...so ooo...now he is howling.

It all goes to show that when sound and solid merchandise is offered you can not get it the same way you get the junky material. We are too apt to think of some of the trash that has cost us a dollar this week and is sold at 50¢ a month later.

British issues have always been sound, profit on them is less than on most other issues because they are put out so all can buy and there is no monkey business about the issue. It is a case of paying a fair price and taking your stamps or going without them and when you or anyone else tries to chisel the price you are apt to be left with an unfilled order.

If you ordered from some of those who have tried to quote a lower price than the other fellow you have only yourself to blame for not getting your stamps, the fellow you ordered from tried, but he could not get the stuff. That is just what you did too so let that be a lesson to you.

Abundance Of New Issues For Germany

Stamp news from Germany continues to reflect the unsettled conditions in that country.

In Berlin, the Western Sectors refuse to handle mail which has the Eastern sector stamps on it, & the same situation exists in mail from the other direction. This condition, brought on by the recent currency change, has had other effects.

One of these is the application of a red overprint on the old picture series which denotes that the stamps are for the Western sector. The stamps so treated are the 2, 8, 8, 25, 30, 40, 50 and 80 pfgs. and the 1 and 2 Marks. It has been established that higher values than this will not appear.

More stamp issues are planned from the French Zone of Occupation where the three states of Baden, Wuerttemberg and Rheinland-Pfalz are said to be contemplating a stamp issue for the 75th Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union.

Berlin will also have a series of commemoratives to mark the anniversary. The values are 12, 16, 24, 50 and 60 pfgs. and 1 and 2 Marks. These are to be released in April.

Citizens of the Western sector of Berlin suspect that a new series for regular postage is imminent since an entirely new design of the Brandenburg Gates stamp has appeared. The new stamp has a face value of 1 pfg. It has the Berliners wondering why it was issued since there is no call for a 1 pfg. value.

Another reason for the possibility of a new issue is that most of the current series will be used up in the overprinting for the Western sector.

The new 1 pfg. stamp showing the Brandenburg Gate has the inscription "Deutsche Post" at the bottom, and "Berlin—Brandenburger Tor" at the top.

Berlin collectors have now had the opportunity of seeing the four stamps and the two souvenir sheets which were issued in the state of Baden of the French Zone for the Reconstruction of Freiburg. All are semi-postals, with the souvenir sheets existing both perf and imperf. Face value of the stamps and sheets is 11 Deutsch Marks which at the official rate of exchange in Germany makes the cost in United States money approximately \$3.30.

George S. Martin, Valznerweiherstrasse 33, Nuernberg, Germany, who sent the above information, states that collectors in this country who send to Germany should realize that their funds will not purchase as many stamps as they would get in the United States.

Mr. Martin points out that all money must be exchanged at the official rate which is approximately 3 Deutsch Marks for One Dollar. Collectors are able to purchase Deutsch Marks in the United States at a more advantageous rate of exchange and then forward these Marks to Germany will do better. Otherwise, dealers in the United States sell the current German stamps cheaper than they can be bought in Germany at face value.

Club Announces New Officers, Summer Meetings

Officers for the fiscal year 1949-1950 have been elected by the Shreveport (La.) Stamp Club, all of them to begin their terms on June 1.

President of the group is George M. Hearne III, vice-president, E. C. Michou and secretary-treasurer A. L. McClellan, P. O. Box 1407, Shreveport, La.

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For the twenty years prior to the move, the club had met at the Hollenden Hotel.

Before each of the meetings, some of the members meet for supper at the Devonshire Room of the Allerton at about 6 p. m. The get-together is informal, visiting collectors being welcome to it as well as to the regular meeting which follows at 8 p. m.

Desai Collection To Go To Auction

A prominent London, England auction firm expects to realize close to \$320,000 when on May 25 they offer for sale the world famous collection of the late C. D. Desai of Bombay, India.

The collection consists of only four different Indian stamps, the 1854 1/2 anna, 1 anna, 2 annas and 4 annas. All the many varieties of these issues are represented to the fullest extent in the Desai holdings.

Desai collected stamps for nearly 35 years, and his collection of 4-annas 1854 is considered the finest in existence. The stamps are to be sold in nearly 1000 lots.

The rarest item in the collection is the 4-annas die 1, with inverted 1854. It is cut square. There are only two copies of it known to exist, both of which are in this sale. The first copy is valued at £4000, but is expected to fetch slightly more. The second is valued at £1200. Usually, with this particular issue, the stamp was "cut to shape"—that is, octagonal in shape cut clean around the outline of the stamp.

The inverted stamps of this issue are known to number between 15 and 20 in the whole world, but these are all cut to shape. One is in the collection of the King. Three are in the Tapling collection in the British Museum. Some are in the United States.

The excellent copy of the inverted four annas cut square was discovered in 1945, quite by accident, when a collector brought in a cover to the office of Jal Cooper, of India, dealer and collector friend of Desai. The price at which the stamp first passed in Desai's collection was never announced. It is interesting to note that the majority of the stamps of this collection are cut square, and their supply is an education in itself.

The stamps are expected to draw serious bids only from collectors, unless dealers are acting on behalf of clients from outside England. Americans are considered certain to be making a number of "book bids." Cooper, who transacted the original sale of the "inverted cut square," will fly especially from Bombay to attend the auction. His coming is attracting considerable interest, especially as there is a possibility he will attempt to get the main items of the collection back to India.

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Thiaude Catalog Of France Is Available

The 1949 edition of the Thiaude Catalog for France and Colonies, Andorra, Levant States, Monaco and Sarre just released, has been dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the first French postage stamp.

The Thiaude is considered the foremost catalog for the stamps of France and Colonies and those other national units noted above. It is a bit more specialized as to content than the large general catalogs, and for that reason will be found a great help to the specialist in the stamps of France.

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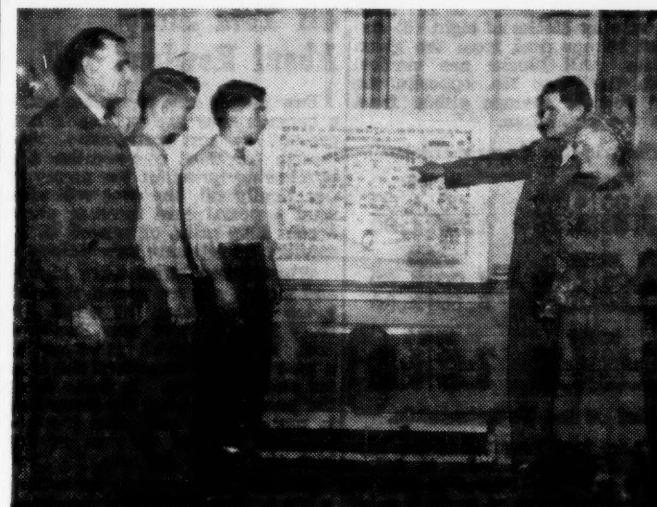
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Club Donates Stamp Collection To School

Interest in stamp collecting among students at Appleton Wisconsin High school should be mounting since the school has received from the Outagamie Philatelic society more than 300 unused stamps mounted on a map of the United States. This colorful collection is to be hung in the library.

Charles Maahs, president of the society, with Dr. Stephen Darling, presentation to the officers of the ex-president, made the formal AHS student council a few weeks ago. In making the presentation Maahs said that the club was hoping to promote interest in stamp collecting among the students because the members of the society had themselves gained much enjoyment as well as knowledge from their hobby.

The collection, which is valued at approximately \$250, was donated by all of the members of the society and was mounted by them on the map. Included in the collection are practically all of the United States commemorative stamps except those in higher values of the first two issues. It also contains the complete set of stamps honoring 35 distinguished Americans and a good many of the American airmail stamps.

History in the making can be learned from the collection since the stamps are so mounted as to be in or near the states which are involved in the stamp, historically or because of the people it commemorates. The dates of the stamps range from 1893 to 1947. There are also replicas of the first two United States stamps which came out in 1847.

A special display on books dealing with stamp collecting and articles and samples of stamps in magazines was arranged in the library by Miss Ruth Mielke, head librarian, and her staff.

Ship Cancelation Society To Meet

The fourth national convention of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society will be held at the Hotel Garde, New Haven, Conn. under the sponsorship of David Bushnell Chapter No. 48 Saturday and Sunday, May 7 and 8.

Convention chairman is Winfred M. Grandy, of 98 Harrison Ave., New Haven 11. Mr. Grandy is personally arranging the official program, copies of which will be given to each person registered at the convention.

Details relative to the bourse and exhibition are being handled by Fred O. Lammlin, of 471 Central Ave., New Haven 11. Lewis M. Stevens, of 397 Dixwell Ave., New Haven is in charge of the auction which will be one of the most outstanding ever conducted for navophilatelists.

Advance hotel registrations for the convention are recommended because of the continued hotel congestion in the New Haven area. Full information pertaining to rooms available and their rates can be secured from Arthur S. Williams, of 104 Kimberly Ave., New Haven. Mr. Williams is also in charge of convention registration.

Although no advanced registrations are required, Mr. Williams would like to know who is planning to attend and will welcome the receipt of such word.

The distribution of the official convention seals and cacheted envelopes to be mailed from the convention sub station will be handled by William Luria, of P. O. Box 552, Ansonia, Conn.

The French and the Flemish languages both appear on Belgian stamps.

THIS 'N' THAT WITH THE TRADE

Back in the W. P. A. days, the Federal Writers' Project of Nebraska, brought to light a forgotten government experiment, which is of philatelic interest because it was tried out on the covers of first-class mail. I found the information republished in the "Brady Vindicator" a Nebraska weekly, which I had clipped.

Collectors interested in the stamps of Ireland would appreciate having a copy of the price list of those stamps produced by F. R. A. McCormick, 49 Whitebeam Rd., Dublin, Ireland. Besides the regular and commemorative issues, Mr. McCormick has many of the varieties. The list is obtainable for 5 cents in commemorative stamps at the above address.

David C. Van Voorhis, stamp dealer, formerly of Bowling Green, Ohio has moved his business to Boonsboro, Md. Associated with him there will be Walter Fishel, well known collector and postal history expert. Mr. Van Voorhis will continue his importing and wholesale business at the new location as well as the retail activity carried at his old address.

Cachet Will Note County Centennial

The Winston-Salem Philatelic Society is sponsoring a cachet in connection with the Centennial Celebration of the Founding of Forsyth county, North Carolina. Date of the event is May 12.

Collectors wanting the cachet are to prepare their own covers with their names and addresses so that a space of approximately 2 and one half by 2 and one half inches is open on the left hand side of the envelope. First class postage of 3 cents for surface mail, or 6 cents for air mail must be added to each cover also.

There is no limit to the number of covers which can be sent for the cachet.

Prepared covers are to be sent to Dr. Tom B. Daniel, care of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem 7, N.C.

Commemoratives on the outer wrapper will be appreciated.

Bourse Reservations For BNAPEX Accepted

The exhibition committee for the British North American Philatelic Society announce that reservations are being accepted from dealers for bourse space at the 1949 BNAPEX.

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End of the Pre-Eyes.

The following six plate Nos. are
of the Experimental Electric-Eye
types (explanatory notes appear-
ed in previous articles). Values

shown are for blocks of ten (10).

In valuing blocks of eight (8) de-
duct 10 per cent from the given
prices. All blocks are vertical
with the Plate No. opposite the
3rd row of stamps either from
the top or bottom.

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22357 22358

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End of the Experimentals.

There is a long list of the cur-
rent Electric-Eye types to follow
but I will hold these in lieu of
my next column as there is a bit
of discussion, at hand, about my
recent recapitulation of the 1948
commem.

Dozens have written in com-
menting on these valuations. One
gentleman, in Florida, stated that
he is an ardent position collector
and quoting:—"You have been
uncanny in your ability to place
your finger on the exact positions
that one finds difficult to obtain
of the 1948 issues. As far as I am
concerned you are correct on all
counts, except one."—end of
quote.

Naturally I appreciate this gen-
tleman's enthusiasm but the fruits
of my findings could only be ob-
tained from the hundreds of
want-lists, have-lists and on-
hand - at - the - local - post-office-
lists that the many cooperative
readers have sent and are still
sending to me. My valuation pro-
gram would be a gigantic task,
without this aid.

The new, small 6c airmail (C-
39) will soon be showing up in
normal quantities. Ever since the
new rates went into effect those
dormant stocks of the old, large
6c airm (C25) are being dusted off
and put to use and until the latter
type is cleared out we will just
have to wait awhile but when
this does happen then there will
be plenty of No. C39 to go around.

The 1940-42 commems are
coming into the lime-light again.
These include the Famous Amer-
icans, Pony Express, China, etc.
Price-lists, of leading dealers,
show some remarkable changes in
prices.

As many can recall during the
last stages of World War II, Plate
Blocks, of the Pony Express, were
bringing as much as \$3.75
each or even better. This meteoric
rise was soon over-shadowed by
its back-slide. Plenty of woe re-
sulted when prices began to dip
below the \$1.00 line.

Current price-lists are tabbing the
Pony Express Plate Block be-
tween \$1.75 and \$2.00. Almost a
100 per cent increase over last
fall. China Plates have advanced
almost 75 per cent. The Famous
Americans are really stepping up
and The Pan-American issue,
Idaho, Wyoming, Coronado,
Emancipation and Kentucky, all of
which have been holding firm,
are now advancing.

There is an underlying trend re-
presented in these figures. It ap-
pears through with their hidden
stocks, of these issues, and that
these stamps are now reaching for
their respective levels.

It appears that the speculators are

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Meetings of the group are held at
the South Side YMCA, 2232 S.
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come to the meetings.

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for cheap postage. In those days,
the person receiving the letter had
to pay the cost and often the letter
was refused because of the high
charge for delivery.

Mr. Hill happened to be nearby
when a postman delivered a letter to
a servant girl. The crusader for
postal reforms noted that she
examined it carefully and then
reluctantly handed it back unopen-
ed. Moved by pity at her plight he
offered to pay the postage but she
steadfastly refused to allow him. When
the postman left, she confessed there
was nothing inside the letter for her, but that
the outside contained coded cipher
marks. The girl admitted that
she and her brother were too poor
to pay the postage and used this
method to keep in touch with each
other.

Naturally I appreciate this gen-
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which induced such petty fraud
was bad, Mr. Hill worked to cor-
rect the condition and eventually
succeeded in persuading the au-
thorities to adopt low postal rates.
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city of Peekskill, the Kiwanis Club
asked one of its members whether
he could make a suggestion to
them as a stamp collector to sup-
plement their funds. The member
made the suggestion that members
simply save the stamps from their
mail, rather than tossing them into
the waste-basket, and arrangements
were made with a stamp
dealer to take them off their
hands.

In the first week in which the
drive was in operation, twenty-
five pounds of United States
stamps were brought in. So enthuiastic
were the members when they saw the money
that had previously literally been
burned through their ignorance of
stamp values that they now plan
to widen the drive by asking other
Peekskill business firms to save
their stamps as well.

We once heard a stamp dealer
mention in his opinion a fortune
was burned up daily through the
ignorance of hundreds of thousands
of business firms and individuals
who discarded the stamps
from their daily mail. The fact
that the Kiwanis Club is now able to
finance its charitable activities in
such a painless way would indicate
that his statement was no exaggeration.

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A further classification is also
necessary so I am going to borrow
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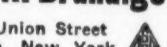
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How the officials of the Post Office Department can okay a stamp for production which has the poor appearance of the Washington and Lee University emblem is beyond comprehension.

Here is a stamp which required no rushing to produce or to engrave, and for which color and other proofs could have been taken to make a proper and fitting selection. Those checks were probably made, but who gave the final permission to go ahead and print, the office boy?

If you really want to see how bad a job the W & L stamp is, just put a copy of the 5c Swedish Pioneer stamp alongside of it. And remember the Swede stamp was a rush job. It was also one of our prettiest stamps of 1948.

Even with the Congressmen off their necks (so I hear) and with supposedly the best engravers in the world, the Post Office Department in conjunction with the Bureau of Engraving and Printing certainly lay eggs all over the place.

That Puerto Rico stamp design is an over-aged egg if there ever was one, while the W & L design should have been a honey.

See if you can stay out of trouble here.

1. The "Youth" stamp of 1948 carried a date as part of the design, what was it?

2. Two men were shown on the Oregon Territory issue of 1948, who were they?

To date I have seen two pre-first day covers of the Washington and Lee stamp. One was from a Virginia city on April 9, the other from a Mississippi city on April 11. The correct first day was April 12. One was from R. M. Lerrick, the other from Walter Lusk.

It probably wouldn't be amiss to remind the beginners that trying to peel or pull a stamp from an envelope is not the way to get that stamp and have it in good collectible shape. This form of removal results in tears and thin spots both of which make the stamp worthless.

Cut the paper around the stamp leaving about a ¼ inch on all four sides, and then soak it off in luke warm water. Put between white (not colored) blotters, or newspapers and let dry.

Another bad thing which beginners do is to tear stamps off covers without checking to see whether the entire business would be worth more intact. For the modern stuff, possibly no damage would be done. But for the stamps from the early part of this century or of the 1800's a valuable covered might be ruined.

If in doubt, check with an experienced collector.

Every collector at some time or another finds that over the weeks or months a number of duplicates have been accumulated. There are many collectors who willingly go out to find hospitalized veterans, shut-ins or junior collectors to give them to.

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In the March 28 column, I mentioned the set-up which was used in Baltimore to keep a letter which lacked a stamp out of the Dead Letter Office. A label was attached to the mail which stated that the postage had been paid to keep the letter from being destroyed, and that the payment had been made by CHARITY at a certain Box number. I was not able to discover what the Baltimore Charity was.

In Newark, N. J., writes Steve Rich who has a number of covers with the Charity labels from various cities, the beneficiary of any donations made by the person receiving the letter was the local YMCA. Mr. Rich also said that most folks usually came through at about three to one for the CHARITY—thus a dime for the three cent fee.

The earliest cover in his collection on which one of the CHARITY labels is used is from 1859.

Thanks for recent covers to S. Ritchie of St. Thomas, Ontario and Roy Caperton of Ravia, Okla.

The William Penn commem of 1932 is a fine example of what the artists of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing can do when they are left to exercise their own judgments and abilities. This stamp and the Oglethorpe are considered two of the best looking stamps for their size ever issued in this country.

As early as 1925, agitation was started to have a stamp issued to commemorate the activities of William Penn in the colonization of Pennsylvania. This continued off and on until 1932 when the Pennsylvanians became anxious; 1932 was the 250th anniversary year.

The POD informed the interested parties that due to other commitments for stamps, it would not be possible to produce a Penn stamp. The "interested parties" circulated petitions and stirred up their senator, James J. Davis and turned the heat on the Department to such an extent that a stamp was promised for October.

Sketches prepared by Alvin Meissner and Victor McCloskey, Bureau artists were consolidated and used for the stamp design.

The artists had been turned loose on their own without officials from the POD or pressure groups breathing down their necks trying to tell them how to design a stamp.

The portrait used is one in the possession of the Pennsylvania Historical Society, painted in London in 1665 when Penn was but 22 years old.

When the design was announced which depicted Penn in armor, the Quakers felt that it was an affront to their religion and a blot on their respect for him. The Quakers then as now are foremost proponents for peace.

But since it was the only known picture of Penn in existence the Bureau artists had little choice in the matter, and so were compelled to use it.

A decided touch to the stamp design was the placing the figures of value in keystone shaped panels, Pennsylvania being known as the Keystone state.

1. The date was "Sept. 1-30, 1948" the days of Youth Month.

2. The men are John McLoughlin and Jason Lee.

Membership Roster Of BIA Now In The Mail

With the April issue of the "Bureau Specialist" official organ of the Bureau Issues Association, the members received a copy of the membership Roster of the group.

Listed are the names, addresses and specialties of each of the members, the officers, committees and rules of the organization.

The Association is essentially interested in all the stamps produced in the United States by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Collecting United States stamps and learning of the backgrounds and stories of each of them is the principle business of the members. The Bureau Specialist, publishes information of this nature.

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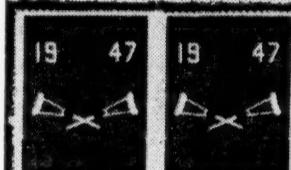
Seals issued by organizations to
raise funds for crippled children,
called "Easter" seals due to the
fact that they are issued around
the Easter holiday, are interna-
tional in scope. In addition to
those issued in the U.S. and Can-
ada seals have also been used in
Australia and South Africa for
this purpose. This article will
deal with the South Africa issues.

Founded in 1939, the National
Council for the Care of Cripples
in South Africa has been striving
to achieve its objective—a complete
orthopedic service for the
Union. Orthopedic surgeons, ortho-
pedic nurses, and orthopedic
appliance makers are being trained,
and orthopedic units for crippled
children are being planned or
erected in the large centers of
the Union. These units make
provision for medical treatment,
education and vocational training.
There are estimated to be about
30,000 cripples of all races in
South Africa.

In 1944 the seal method of rais-
ing funds to supplement other income
was inaugurated. This was
well received and the campaign
was continued thereafter. How-
ever, sufficient seals were avail-
able from 1944 to make the print-
ing of another issue for 1945 un-
necessary and these were used
again. In 1946 a new printing
was ordered and the design
changed. Thereafter, each year to
date, new seals were issued.

Similarly to the tuberculosis
seals these seals also bear the
two-language inscription, English
and Afrikaans. So far these seals
have been issued in small booklet
panes of 6 seals (3x2) and sold
in booklets containing 2 panes (12
seals). The panes of 1944, 1946,
and 1947 were roulette on the
margins thus eliminating all
straight edge seals. However, in

1948 and 1949 this was not done
and therefore all of these seals
will be straight edged. In 1949



the round-hole perforating
method of separation was used in
preference to the roulette method
as used previously.

Colors used each year were as
follows: 1944-45, blue, red and
black; 1946—Royal blue and pink;
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